

Application Serial No. 10/812,639
Reply to Office Action of July 2, 2007

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Docket: CU-3673

REMARKS

In the Office Action, dated July 2, 2007, the Examiner states that Claims 1-8 are pending, and Claims 1-8 are rejected. By the present Amendment, Applicant amends the specification, and the claims.

On August 8, 2007, the Applicant submitted an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). The Examiner is requested to return an initiated copy of Form PTO-1449 with the next office communication.

In the Office Action, specification page 8, line 3 is objected to because the terminal portions 22d are not shown in Figure 1D, as indicated. By this amendment, the specification has been amended to indicate that the terminal portions 22d are shown in Figure 4.

In the Office Action, Claims 6 and 8 are objected to with regards to antecedent basis for "lens and solid image". Appropriate corrections have been made.

In the Office Action, Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Segawa et al. (US 2002/0057468). Claims 3 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Segawa et al. in view of Akimoto et al. (US 2002/0191103). The Applicant considers that the amendments to the claims overcome these rejections.

In Segawa et al., the flexible board 8 pushes the spring electrodes 15 perpendicularly. However, in the present invention as shown in FIG. 7B, when the parts are set in their positions, the springy portion 22b of the contacting member 22 does not have contact with the compact camera module, and the contacting end 22c of the contacting member 22 pushes the electrode pad 42b on the compact camera module in a horizontal direction toward an inner side of the compact camera module (the force F1 in 7B). The claims have been amended to better define these differences.

Also, as it relates to Claims 2, 3, 6 and 7, the hook portion 27C of the grounding contact member 27 imposes a horizontal force F2 on the compact camera module.

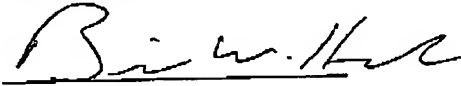
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In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections are considered overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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